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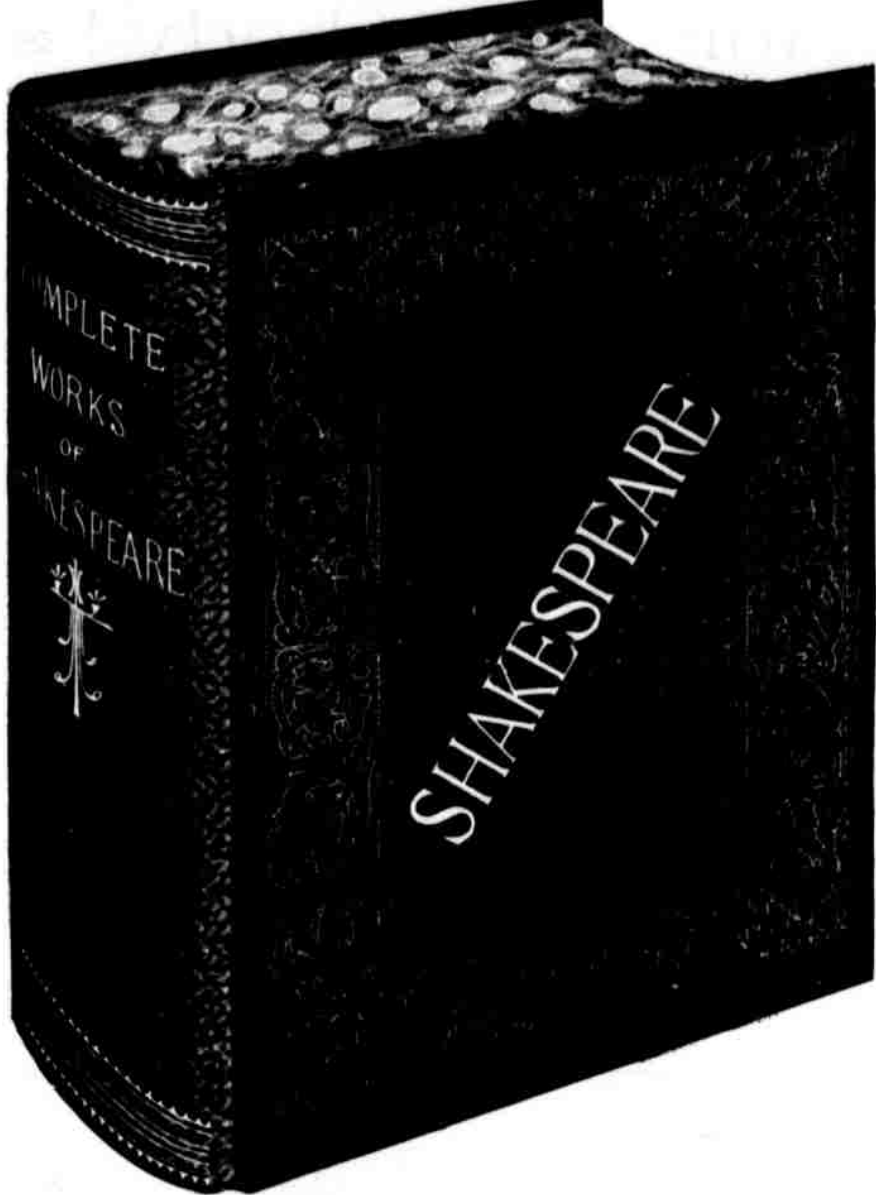
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TWO CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ARCHBISHOP OF PHILADELPHIA.

He is Powerful in the Pulpit and Brilliant at the Dinner Table—His Early Life and Present Responsibilities—A Keen Retort.

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Mr. Rev. Patrick John Ryan, archbishop of Philadelphia, has the reputation of being the greatest Catholic pulpit orator in the United States. What is more than this, he deserves the reputation. There is no man in the City of Brotherly Love who is held in higher esteem by the people of all con-



ARCHBISHOP RYAN.

ditions and classes of life than is Archbishop Ryan. He is in his sixtieth year now, but those who know him say that he is in the prime of his usefulness.

It was while he was confessor to Archbishop Kenrick, of St. Louis, that his gifts as an orator were most conspicuous. He preached every other Sunday in the vast cathedral, which was always crowded to the doors, many of those who attended being persons belonging to other religious denominations. Since coming to Philadelphia his popularity has increased.

Personally the archbishop is a most desirable man to meet. He is six feet, has a pleasant countenance and fascinating manners. He is liberal in the fullest sense of the word, without in the slightest degree surrendering any of the doctrines of the church of which he is one of the heads. In this manner he has become the intimate friend of such men as George W. Childs, the well known publisher; A. J. Drexel, the world famous banker; George W. Roberts, the head of the great Pennsylvania railroad; and ex-Attorney General MacVough, all of whom are affiliated with other religious denominations. Recently the University of Pennsylvania, a secular institution that has a reputation which extends beyond the borders of this country, bestowed on the archbishop the degree of D. D.

The only objection the people of Philadelphia have to Archbishop Ryan as an orator is that he speaks too rarely. He uses choice expressive English, and talks in



THE ARCHBISHOP'S RESIDENCE.

a style that is as convincing as it is beautiful. He does not use many gestures, but they are as effective as it is possible to make them.

The archbishop lives quietly, plainly and modestly. His study, in the southwest corner of the archiepiscopal residence, at Eighteenth and Summer streets, is fitted up with what might be termed painful simplicity. It is a large room, with lots of light and ventilation. In the center is a square desk, at which the archbishop does most of his work, with the assistance of the chancellor of the archdiocese, the Rev. Dr. Ignatius F. Horstmann. Pictures of distinguished Catholics and volumes on all conceivable subjects line the walls.

When Daniel O'Connell, the great Irish liberator, was at the height of his popularity he visited a college in the south of Ireland. A little aborigine, haired boy was chosen to make the address of welcome, and he did it so fervently and enthusiastically that he completely captured the heart of the great Irishman. A few years later O'Connell was billed to lecture in a town near by. The hall was crowded and admission was by ticket only. Shortly before the time for the address a youth presented himself at the door and asked for admission. He had no ticket and he was refused. He persisted, however, and demanded a personal audience with O'Connell. This last desire was granted, and he was ushered into the presence of the liberator. The latter recognized him at once. "Oh," he said, "you are the little red haired boy that greeted me so splendidly in college. Indeed you shall get in, and you shall get one of the very best seats, too." The little red haired boy is now the archbishop of Philadelphia.

The archbishop is an early riser. The first duty of the day is the celebration of



THE CATHEDRAL.

mass, which generally takes place in the little chapel adjoining the cathedral. After a light breakfast the business of the archdiocese is taken up. The first few hours are set aside for the reception of priests and pastors. Two hours following this are accorded to general visitors. Dinner as a rule is served at 1 o'clock. If the weather is fine in the afternoon the prelate takes a long walk. Although the archbishop is a great orator he has put very few of his thoughts into book form. There is one, however, a reproduction of a lecture on "What Catholics Do Not Believe."

This was delivered in St. Louis, and has had a large sale both in this country and Europe.

The archbishop is quick at repartee, and those who have contact with him pay tribute to his flashes of wit. A good story is told in this connection on ex-Attorney General Wayne MacVough. It has frequently been retailed at the clubs, but seems to improve with age. Mr. MacVough is special counsel of the Pennsylvania railroad. One night he attended a reception with President George Roberts. They were chatting together, when Mr. MacVough laughingly remarked that Mr. Roberts never went anywhere without his counsel. Then in a spirit of fun he said: "Your grace, Mr. Roberts here can give you passes on all railroads in this country. Now in return for this can't you give him a pass to paradise?"

The archbishop hesitated a moment, then he replied, with a twinkle in his eyes, "Yes, I could; but then I would dislike very much to separate him from his counsel."

In the general laugh that followed Mr. MacVough admitted that the archbishop had the best of the situation.

The province over which Archbishop Ryan presides includes, besides the archdiocese of Philadelphia, the sees of Erie, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh and Scranton. Five years ago this province was credited with a Catholic population of 800,000, and at present it is probably nearer 1,000,000 than anything else.

GEORGE HARTON.

"THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

Something About a New Poem by a Famous Author.

"The Light of the World" is the name of a new poem completed by Sir Edwin Arnold during his residence in Japan. His long famous production, "The Light of Asia," attempted to depict Buddhism from the Christian point of view. The later effort displays Christianity under the light of Buddhism. There exists a great amount of suffering among the poorer Japanese at present, and soon after finishing "The Light of the World" Sir Edwin was persuaded to read extracts from his work at an entertainment given in Tokyo for the purpose of raising funds for the afflicted. One who listened to the distinguished Englishman's recitation declares that the author "seems to have absorbed the very atmosphere of Palestine, and his poem exudes it. A splendid scene is Pilate flying from the presence of Mary Magdalene at midnight on his swiftest horse, because 'one other watch would make me Nazarene.'" Here are some lines taken down at random from Pilate's delineation of Christ:

With such a meek one should be wearing purple. His eyes burned themselves on my heart—the fire of those mild eyes that had no fear nor any bitterness. Claudia sighed, "There was no fault." Oh, the light that beamed from those mild eyes! The speech of him was faint music, and his feet a benediction. Authority yet sits upon my lip, but I played traitor to my stoic soul. I might have saved, I would have saved, but that which is writ is writ. I did not dare, and that which hindered was they hated to win in favor of men instead of praise from heaven. The horse of circumspect baying about my palace that they might drink clean will! I took water and washed hands before the herd.

Other verses noted by the hearer are full of beauty and power. A few of them are appended.

Write me a song unstained by any taint. Deep billows where the winter hides away snows through the summer.

In the morning watch, when dreams came sure through the fate of morn.

To rest as the wild waters rest.

Christ's blessed feet overthrew Jerusalem more utterly than the armies of Titus.

The Grandson of Victor Hugo.

The advocates of the doctrine that the descendants of literary giants must naturally be men and women of more than ordinary ability cannot cite Georges Hugo as an example by which to establish their position. Georges is the grandson of the great French poet and novelist, Victor Hugo. When 18 years of age he declared that a man who bore the name of the author of "93" must live in grand style, eat and drink expensively and be a hero among women. To carry out these ideas young Hugo mortgaged his prospects, and when he reached his majority was besieged by money lenders, who had advanced \$10,000 on notes for \$48,000. Hardly had he been extricated from this dilemma when, not long ago, he fought a duel with a chocolate maker and was wounded.

A Farmer Candidate for Governor.

John P. Buchanan, recently nominated for governor by the Democrats of Tennessee, has been a farmer all his life, with the exception of the four years of war time when he served as a Confederate soldier. He was born in 1847, and now resides on a big plantation near Murfreesboro. For a score of years he has taken an active interest in politics, and has represented his district twice in the state assembly.

Upon the organization of the Farmers' Alliance in the spring of 1888 he was elected president, and was re-elected at the first annual meeting, held in August of the same year. In July, 1890, when the Farmers' Alliance and Agricultural Wheel consolidated into the Farmers and Laborers' Union of Tennessee, he was chosen president of the new organization, which office he still holds.

New Earthquake Registers.

At the Italian meteorological stations new styles of seismoscopes have been introduced which are said to register the phenomena of earthquakes with great accuracy. These instruments are of a very simple nature, one consisting merely of an iron rod about five inches long leaning slightly against an adjustable screw support near its middle, and with its lower pointed end in a cup. When a shock or tremor occurs the rod falls away from its support, and is caught by a fixed metallic ring, making electric contact and ringing a bell. In the other instrument the ring is connected with a hinged lever arrangement, which stops the mechanism of a timepiece, showing when the shock occurred.

The Decline of the Berry Box.

The publisher of The Amsterdam (N. Y.) Democrat recently made public a grievance that is by no means singular to himself. Berry boxes, he declares, seem to be growing smaller year by year. When they were first produced they would hold a large quart. Now they have to be pulled and stretched to make them hold a pint and a half. Growers of berry boxes should attend to this matter. It is possible that the soil they grow in needs fertilizing. Perhaps by a hybridizing process the berry box might be crossed with the peach basket and brought back to its original proper size. It is a matter which the growers should think of.

WHERE RUNAWAY COUPLES GO.

The Big Matrimonial Business Done by an Indiana Justice.

Ephraim Kelgwin was elected a justice of the peace five years ago. Since taking his seat he has united five thousand couples in wedlock.

Ephraim's shop is at Jeffersonville, Ind., just across the river from Louisville, Ky.

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and Mr. Kelgwin

ties knots and rakes in fees with a rapidity that has already brought him a fortune. September and October are his busiest months, but nearly any day throughout the year there may be seen in the office from one to a dozen Bluegrass couples waiting for the performance of the ceremony that shall close their courtships.

The judge is of slender build, below the average height, and has a pleasant face, framed by gray hair and mustache.

A LAD'S LONG JOURNEY.

From Ocean to Ocean at a Nominal Expense.

Joseph Alfred Friend is 14 years of age. Last October he was a cash boy in a Chicago dry goods house. He had a fight with another lad and lost his position. When he told the news of his bad luck at home his father chased him off the premises with a butcher knife. Alfred then took to traveling. He walked and rode to New York city, where he gripped a tight hold on him. He spent several weeks in a hospital, and when convalescent resolved to go home. But passing a railway office he saw the sign "To Jacksonville," and thereupon decided to view the sunny south. He achieved his purpose, but a brief stay at the winter resorts of Florida satisfied him, and he turned his face westward, reaching San Francisco, where he now is, without mishap.

Young Friend's total outlay for railroad fare up to date has been \$1.25, varying from hisgraphy a hard

hearted conductor

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Georgia. The lad

is well educated,

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Shakespeare,

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debted to his mother.

He received news from Chicago the

other day to the effect that his father had

run away, and that his mother was anxious

for his return. He proposes to go home

"in style" as soon as he has accumulated

sufficient wealth.

When Amos Cummings Was a Printer.

Congressman Amos Cummings is an expert in the manipulation of white paper with a pair of shears. Some of his friends say he can do better with the shears than with a pen, but this of itself is a joke, and a very impracticable one, for the journalist statesman well maintains his reputation as one of the brilliant writers of the American press. His aptitude for the fashioning of various articles out of plain white paper is a relic of his printer days. There was a time when Amos earned his living by the exultation of elbow grease in the practice of the glorious art of setting type, and sometimes, like other members of the craft, he tramped from place to place in search, not of work, but of adventure.

Congressman Stivers, from interior New York, has been a journalist for many years. One day, he says, a tramp printer appeared in his office and asked for a day's work. He was given a "case." The itinerant was not scrupulously attired. His shirt had been last laundered in Troy—and Troy he had left three weeks before. Cuffs he had none. At quitting time the stranger sold his "string"—his afternoon's work—for a dollar and a half. After going out for a shave he returned and asked the belated foreman if he might have a sheet of white card board and a pair of shears. His request was granted, and in ten minutes, when the foreman looked up from his work, there stood the stranger with a dazzling white shirt front, an immaculate pair of cuffs and a nice clean collar. The forlorn tramp printer had been transformed into a handsome gentleman, who then started out for a dollar dinner at the best restaurant in town.

"That was my first acquaintance," says Mr. Stivers, "with the possibilities of the use of Bristol board in the way of rehabilitating a musty costume. It was also my first, but I am glad to say not my last, meeting with Amos Cummings."

Curious People in New York.

Having exhausted Western Europe for immigrants, the United States is now beginning to draw upon new and hitherto unknown lands. Among the many types which are now found every day at the large office (formerly Castle Garden) are Finns, Lapps, Belts, Lithnaks, Wallaks, Galicians, Catalans, Smyrnes, Crim-Tartars and Dalmatians. How many readers can locate these races without referring to a cyclopaedia? A curious corner of New York city is that on the east side between Second avenue, the East river, Eighty-sixth and Sixtieth streets. In this small district are no less than 12,000 Bohemians and 10,000 Poles. The former call themselves Czechs (pronounced checks) and the latter Poles and Pookals. In the matter of religion the two are alike, being about one-quarter Jewish, one-quarter Protestant, one-quarter Roman Catholic and one-quarter agnostic.

The Fad for Rings.

The fondness that women have for rings was never more entirely displayed than just now. The general excuse that they like to look at them is, I believe, entirely true, and as they are only permitted two fingers on each hand on which to wear them, the third and the little finger, you can't blame them if they pile one on top of another with reckless profusion. All ear-rings seem to have been taken apart and the stones put into rings or brooches. Necklaces can only be worn in the evening. Only the simplest bangles are permissible in day time, but a woman may load her finger with rings and still be in perfectly good form. A few variety actresses tried to introduce the fashion of wearing a thumb ring, but it died, as it should, a natural death.

Miss Kate Marden is making scientific investigations in Russia regarding leprosy, hoping to discover some preventive or palliative for that horrible disease.

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